

Education & Cultural Resources

January 7, 2009

Re: Organizational Meeting

Topics of Discussion:

- 1) Opening remarks
 - a) Turn off your cell phones
 - b) We are all on the same team
 - c) Disagree agreeably
 - d) If I make a mistake remind me
- 2) Public Hearing vs Executive action
 - a) Hearing is to hear the bills, ask questions of those testifying
 - b) Executive action is for debate
 - c) Let's not debate the bills during the hearings-remind me!
- 3) Introduction of members-brief bio
- 4) Presentation by Casey
 - a) Interim Bills
 - b) Education bills in the hopper
 - c) Sherlock decision (hand out)
- 5) Seating arrangement-
- 6) Voting
- 7) Proxy form (2 forms, page 20 leadership recommendation)
 - a) Sen. Ripley-holds Republican Caucus Proxies
 - b) Sen. _____ holds Dem. Caucus Proxies
- 8) Bomb Threat/Emergency Evacuation
 - a) Fire evacuation/Bomb Threat-meeting locations to count heads-we all leave together
 - b) Lock Down-Stay in room, lock/secure doors and stay calm
- 9) Snacks-\$ 10.00, staff will not be making cookies on the weekend for us-what do we want, health foods (fruit, etc.) or donuts?
- 10) Overview of our goals
 - a) All bills to get a fair hearing
 - b) Process all education bills in a timely manner, work with sponsors to schedule bills, and arrange for testimony.
 - c) Historically have 55 bills in our committee-try to do 4 bills per day, executive decisions on Friday.
 - d) Make public very welcome and at ease
- 11) Conceptual amendments
 - a) Only very very minor changes (4 to 5%, etc)
 - b) Other amendments-postpone executive action for formal amendment

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